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Charles Brock.

Pursuant to the command of a Decretal Or of Common Pleas and the above case, from the Cour of Common Pleas of Ashland county, and State of Ohio, to me directed, I will expose to public sale at the door of the Court House, in said county at the door of the Court House, in said county

Monday, the 24th day of October, A D. 1853, between the hours of ten o'clock, A M and hour o'clock P M of and day, the following described real estate situate and being in the county of Ashdand and State of Ohio, to wit: Incounty of Ashland and State of Ohio, to wit; InLot number sixty-nine [83] in the third addition
ta the original town plot of the village of Rowaburgh, being fifty-six feet front and one hundred
and fifty feet back from Main street. Also, the
west half of Lo asycaty [70] lying east of said Lot
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J. D. JONES, Sheriff.

Ashland, Sept. 14, 1553. 6x17 pf 84 50

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THE subscriber is prepared to act as Agent for the sale, purchase and exchange of Real Estate is this and the adjoining counties; also, for the ranting of town property. He will advertise for those who desire it. A reasonable charge will be made where the object desired is effected; and where it is not no charge will be made except for the cost of advertising. Any person wishing to seel, yengulars, exchange or any Real Estate, may find it to their advantage to give me a call. Office, west door to the County Cirk's.

Ashland, August 15, 1803.

SHERIFF'S SALE. Robertson Brothers & Co. | In Ashland Common Pleas.

Alexander Buchan.

PURSUANT to the command of an Alias Ventue Court of common pleas of Ashland county and State of Ohio to me directed I will expose to public sale at the door of the court house in

On Monday the 24th day of October, An Dista, between the hours of ten o'clock A M and four o'clock P M of said day the following described Real Estate situate and being in the county of Ashland and State of Oma to wit: Lots number twenty-three (23) and twenty-four (24) in the town of Ashland, to be sold as the property of Alexander Buchan. Appraised at four hundred dollars. Terms of sale cash.

Ashland Sept. 21, 1853. 18w5p'\$3.

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ASHLAND, OHIO, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1853. VOL. VIII.

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Business Notices.

HOTELS.

FULLER HOUSE, Loudonville, Ohio.

FOREPH DRYARMAN having again taken the above. House, will be prepared to accommodate all friends who may favor him with a call.
Oct. 11th, 1852. gutf.

A CARD.

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MRS. M. McNULTY having purchased and completely renevated the 'McNulty Bounn,' lately kept by Mr. W. Hobinson, is now prepared to meet her numerous friends and customers. She therefore respectfully invites the traveling public to give her a call, as she is determined to use every effort in her power to make comfortable all those who may favor her with their custom. Having engaged the services of Mr. A. W. MELSIKINIER, as Landlord, who it is well known stands at the top of his profession, in that capacity, the public need no better goaranty that their every want will be compiled with. An industrious and attentive Oeffer manages the stables, and every attention will be paid to horses placed in his charge.

Charge, Ashland, Isnuary 26, 1853.

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KELLOGG & ALLISON. Attorneys and Counselors at Law, -A N D-SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY. ASHLAND, OHIOS

WILL attend to all professional businessen frosted to their care, in this and adjoining counties.

B. W. RELLOGG. [W . B. ALLISON. Jan. 21, 1852. 334

SMITH & SLOAN. Attorney's and Counsellors at Law, Ash-

land, Ohio.

OFFICE over Empire Store of Squire, Sampsell J. W. SMITH.
Abiliand, Sept. 15, '51-231f JAMES SLOAN. JOHNSON, KENNY & PORTER Auy's & Counsel'rs at Law and Sol'rs

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Attorneys at Law. HAVING formed a constructable, will give prompt attention to all husiness entroted to their care in this and adjoining counties Office, next door to County Clerk's.

THOS. J. BULL, Attorney at Law and Justice of the Peace: LOUDONVILLE, OHIO.

PHYSICIANS.

J. W. KINNAMAN, M. D. Practitioner of Medicine & Surgery: MAY be consulted at his residence on Main street, Ashland, Ohio. June 4, 1851.-2

DR. J. P. SMITH,

Rotanic and Hydropathic Physician, Having permanently established himself in Ash-land, Ashland county, Ohio, on the north Street, opposite Mr. Broun's Carding Machine, he would just say to the citizens and inhabitants of the surround-ing country, that he holds himself in readiness at all times to gratest to all business connected withhis Ashland, May 26, 1852.

Dr. Thomas Hays.

Practitioner of Medicine and Surgery,
SAVANNAH, Ashland County, Ohio t also
Justice of the Peace, and Notary Public.
April 13.—1y47



GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES. GOLD AND SILVER WALCHES, Ladies GOId Broaches, Grape, Knamiled, Cluster and Kuot, Ear Drops, Hoops and rings, Gold Rings, Lockets, Pencils, Cuit Pins, Scart Pins, Keys; pure silver, German Siver and Plated Spoons; fluter Knives, Salt and Nugar Shovets, Speciacies, and Cases of all kinds; Knives, Noedles, Pens and Holders, Port Monies, Dressing and Pocket Combs, Kye Shades and Goggles, Compasses, Clucks, Accordeons, &c., June 8, 1833.—1y3

MR. E. M. ENSMINGER wouldrespectfully inform the public that he has permanently located in the town of Ashland. Hisrooms are fitted up with special regard to the comfort of visitors, who will always he welcome, whether they wish for all known as a value.

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STHIs rooms may be found in the second story f the building now occupied by Wallack & Coffin. August S.

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Now is the time to Ins. your Property. J. SPRENGLE is Agent for a number of the best Fire, MARINE, LIFE and HEALTH INS. COMPANIES in the United States. Persons wishing insurance in any of the above departments will find it to their advantage to call on the above, at the office of the Ashland Mutualins. Co.

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January, 1853.

Nav. 19, 1851.

NOTICE,

WHEREAS, my wife Mary has left my hed and board without cause or provocotion; therefore to rewarm all persons from trusting or barboring her on my account, for I will not be accounts for any of her contracts.

ADAM ROSEROHOUGH.

Nermillion Tp., Ashland co., Nept. 20, 1833. 2w20*

ESTATE OF SOLOMON HOUGH...No.
tice is hereby given that the undersigned has been
apouted and qualified as Administrator of the estate
of Solomon Hough, itse of Asshand county, Ohio, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate
will present them within one year from date, and all
who are indebted thereto, are requested to make inmediate payment.

October 19, 1833.

October 19, 1837. wino are indebted thereto, are mediate payment. October 19, 1853.

A DEINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. *- Notice A DATIN INTERATOR'S NOTICE, "Notice As berefugived has been duly appointed and be underlying absoluted and emplified as Administrator of the estate of livery liftierbrant, late of Ashkand country, Onlo, decisated. All persons baving claims against said estate, will present them, legally proven, for settlement, within one year from this date; and all persons indebted for said estate, will please make payment to be undergined withing the day. October 10, 1833.

Boetry.

Hope and the Bose.

BY A. C. PREQUEUR. Who shall die first! whispered Hope to the Rose, who shall die first wanspress rape to the i Y ho shall sine carlier into the grave; I by my flectness, or thou by thy aweetness, Which of the two is the future to save! I by betraying, or thou by decaying, Who shall sleep first in eternal repose?

Soon shall we sever, or live we forever! Who shall die first! whispered Hope

It said the flower, though sweet is my bloomic floon will my loveliness wither and die; Lives that are sweetest are ever the fleetest, Hours most happy, most rapidly fly; But Hope dieth never, but liveth forever, Enchantment around the young bosom

throws;
In smiling or weeping, Hope never is sleping,
I shall die first, said the beautiful Rose.

The Rose was mistaken its dwelling foresaker The Rose was mistaken: its dwelling forcession.

Hope and its promises died in the heart;

The love it desired him falsely expired,

Feted in faithlessness soon to depart!

The sweet-scented flower still graces the bower

And there in its loveliness gracefully blows;

Its beneties displaying, it lives undecaying,

To tell the end story of Hope and the Rose.

Select Miscellany.

COUSIN LETTY.

'Is this the highflier?' asked a lady, making her way amongst a lot of idle gazers who surrounded the coach which ran every day between Carlisle and White-

'Yes ma'am; just going to start,' said the coachman. The economy of the proprietors did not afford a guard. I'm afraid you've no room for me,' ob-

served the lady, looking at the pyramid of luggage and the crowd of passengers already seated. ·Plenty of room, ma'am, inside; we'll

take care of your luggage, ma'am;' and her two portmanteaus were stowed away in those my stertous little corner cupboardlike places yeleped the front and back boot. But her half-dozen bandboxes! those ladies' companions, requiring the mildest treatment. 'What are we to do with the bandbox-

es?' shouted the hostler, as they came tumbling down from the roof on the first movement of the coach.
'Well done, stupid!' growled the coach-

man checking his fine start. 'Why don't you tie 'em on! Get a bit of twine, and

I'm afraid ma'am,' observed the re-

her, 'if there's an upset, your bandboxes will have a bad chance.' 'Is there any danger, then, sir, of the

coach upsetting?' 'I shouldn't have given you the corner, and suffocated myself in this middle seat, there were six in the inside-if I hadn't thought so,' said the gallant fot man .-I'm an old traveler, ma'am and know

which is the safest place." 'Dear me, it's very alarming!' said a

'Yes ma'am, of your catching the toothup to take an unlicensed thirteenth passenger at the toll-bar.

'Coachman!' said a wizzened, cross looking little attorney, occupying a third corner of the inside, 'you've already your dren, clapping their hands in an ecstasy of number-twelve out, six in, with an unlimited quantity of luggage. I shall lay

an information. In truth, the coach was most alarmingly top-heavy; and the four smoking horses had some difficulty in pulling it up a steep hill which they were secending. backs,' said the remarkably fat gentleman, as if he delighted in frightening the ladies,

it's all over with us." 'Ohl' exclaimed an affected young mise in the fourth corner, strangely reversing her little knowledge of traveling, why don't they lock the wheels? Coachman, put the drag on!'

The coach acrived safely at the top of the hill. 'Look to your wheel!' said a foot passenger, as he walked on his road, with his bondle over his shoulder. The careless driver took no heed.

·Wilt thou let me speak te the coachman!' asked a comely looking Quakeress -the fat gentleman's vis-a vis-stretching her head out of the window. 'Conchmun, thou shalt drive me no further; thou must set me down!'

'I'll set you down, ma'am,' said the coachman, lashing his horses into a gallop down hill.

other, and again recovered its equilibrium -'Going!' a third-'Gone!' 'The wheel came off, and over went the coach with its fearful load into the ditch.

What a scene presented itself! One of the gentleman was thrown off the roof, and seated-not very comfortably-on the top of a quickset hedge. A young infant had been jerked out of its mother's arms, and lay unburt and r neomplaining far up in the ditch. But even this distressidisaster, where, fortunately, they seemed to be more fractured bonnets than bones, the ludicrous seemed to prevail, by the fat gentleman making two or three abortive attempts to squeeze himself out of the window-the door, as usual on all such occasions, being difficult, and almost impossible to open. The ladies and the little attorney, all of moderate dimensions were
easily extracted; but the man of flesh, good-hearted wife and mother; and the

sions, being difficult, and almost impossity, to whom it was supposed she would
go with me to see a poor old woman, a
ble to their romanic walks and delightful
pensioner of mine—that is, if you're not
drives; Letty thought it the
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easily extracted; but the man of flesh, good-hearted wife and mother; and the now properly punished for his selfishness, was left last. He had forced himself so far through the window, that he could go I Cousin Leay seemed to be in her element

cede, when the door was at length opened, was moving disgonally with the door, wedged into the window like a huge thread stuck fast in a small standard thread standard thread stuck fast in a small standard thread standard thre thread stuck fast in a small eyed needle, or tied by the middle like the Golden Fleece! The coachman, who knew him well for one of the stingiest travelers on the road, took his own time in extricating him, consoling him in the meanwhile with the pleasing intelligence, that his most particular packages were completely smashed. The fat traveler, who generally laughed at other people's misfortunes, had now little sympathy extended to him, as he launched forth a volley of invectives against the coachman, heightened, perhaps, by the smart twings of a broken rib. The ladies had escaped unburt, with the exception of the owner of the bandboxes, whose shoulder was severely bruised; fortunately, a surgeon, who hapened to have been on the roof, was there to render assitance .-To add to the discomfort of the upset, the rain began to pour; and the only alterna-tive was for all the passengers to walk to a cottage some hundred yards off, and wait until chaises were sent for from the next stage. This afforded Mr. Leslie, the sprgeon, an opportunity of attending promptly to the injured lady-the kind, comely Quakeress bathed the vinegar before the surgeon carefully bandaged it. The prim old maid, however, who was by, the the hurt far too trifling to warrant the exposure of the fair plump shoulder to any surgeon. Four chaises arrived, and inteiligence that a coach would be ready at the next stage to take the passengers their journey's end. Into and on, and all around about these four chaises packed the passengers and their luggage. Mr. Leslie contrived that himself, the Quakeress and

piers of one of the vehicles-a luxury under the circumstances.

Where are my bandboxes?' inquired the proprietrix thereof, forgetting her pain in her apparent roling passion.

Lienew patient, should be the sole occu-

'Here they are, mu'am, quite safe; I took care of that,' said the unfeeling Jehu, presenting six little flattened little articles, ooking like blue pancakes. 'They've been knocked down to you, ma'am, at the upset price. Remember the coachman,

'Don't be impertinent, sir,' said the sur; geon, for we may remember you in a way that may force you to refund your perquisites for the last twelvementh to repair

of caps and bonnets, popping out her head.

The now tightly-tied articles answered for themselves by bobbing and dangling over her upturged vision.

"It was going to Chesmuttree Cottage, just in the suburbs of the town where he reisided, and that the Quakeress was to be set down a few doors from his own has a few doors from his own his own has a few doors from his own his own has a few doors from his own his own his ow 'I'm afraid ma'am,' observed the re-markably fat gentleman who sat next to to forsake the highflier, and complete the journey, only some fifteen miles further,

per chaise. A pleasant acquaintance sprang up during those fifteen miles; the Quakeress, on alighting, saying in her own simple phra-scology: I will call to ask after thee at Chestnut-tree Cottage;' and Chesnut-tree Cottage promising to return the compli-

ment, by dropping in at Jonathan Stevens, The chaise now entered the pretty aveaded by trees in full the right. Conchman is there any dan- almost smothered in roses and woodbine, was situated Chestnut-tree Cottage. Two or three curly-headed little urchins, who ache if you don't keep your head in, said were wheeling their miniature wagons and the vulgarly facetious fellow, as he pulled barrows round the garden, on hearing the rumble of the chaise, made a short cut over the mignonette and verbena beds to the garden-gate. 'Hurrah! hurrah! Cousin dren, clapping their hands in an ecessary of delight as the chase stopped, and Chestant-tree cottage poured forth all its inmates to welcome Cousin Letty. Whata profusion of questions then ensued. 'How are you Cousin Letty ?' . What's the matter, Cousin Letty!' · Have you brought me a new drum!' · And me my magic lantern!' and above all, the . Ricketyticks and star-lights for the king's birthday ?' Poor Cousin Letty! she seemed like a goodly city about to be sacked. The surprise of the family however, on finding she was accompanied by Mr- Leslie-for he had insisted in secing her in safety to the cottage-caused some cessation to the confusion of tongues. The details of the roach-accident interested every one; Mr. Leslie, promising to call on the following day, and hoping that the the bruise would prove but a slight annoyance, took a cordial leave of Consin

Letty. And now, gentle reader, we must have courage, and confess a truth, which will be sympathised with according to thine own age and condition; Cousin Letty was thirty-five, and unmarried; but then she was such a easy-looking woman, neither too tall nor two short, nor too stout nor too slim-with a beaming, plump, con-The coach gave a lurch, and righted it tented face-that people at a ventured al self-'Going!' said the fat gentleman; an- ways addressed her as Mrs. never dreaming that such a desirable, comfortable sort of a person should have been overlooked by the men, who are generally solfish enough to appropriate to themselves all that is worth having; but so it was; and Cousin Letty, who, moreover, had money, the interest of which brought her in £400 a year, seemed destined to lead a life of

single blessedness. She had now come on her annual visit to her only relation, her cousin, John town made cased white silk would have Middleton, who with his wife and family taken ten years off any woman's age, that were residing for the summer months at the result was, as they passed through on. Cumberland. Mr. Middleton had-a very charming daughter of nineteen. Mary dleton-an especial foverite of Cousin Let- ton. whole establishment went on in a very part of the town." nice, noisy, natural sort of a monner .-

to farther-thus unable to advance or re- | amongst children; she would talk to them, walk with them, sing for them, do any

Cousin Leity's anxiety regarding those illused articles—they had been filled with toys for the children. Alas! the drum was beaten as flat as the tambourine, and all the wind instruments-fifes, flagcolets, and trumpets-had breathed their last .-The only box that had escaped, was that containing Cousin Letty's new bonnet .-The children, however, were consoled by promises of taking them into town the following day, to supply the places of

the broken toys. Letty was disappointed at the absence of her favorite, Mary Middleton, who had been on a visit to the lakes with some friends for the last fortnight, but had appointed to return on the day of Cousin Letty's arrival. However, the evening wore away, and Mary came not; and Cousin Letty, though the most unselfish creature in the world, could not help fearing that she had become an object of less consequence to Mary than she had been. Perhaps,' thought she, very naturally. Mary has a lover; how can I expect her to quit a delightful party amongst the lakes merely for my society! No.' she continued mentally soliloquising; 'Mary is not in love; her leuers have been too cheerful, too ingenous for that; besides, she has promised never to fall in love without consulting me; and arriving at this satisfac tory conclusion, Cousin Letty, after sitting up very late in expectation of Mary's arrival, was persuaded by Mrs Middleton to go to bed, as she was sure she must be dreadfully wearied, as well as suffering from her bruise, and there was no chance of her daughter's return until the following day. At that moment a chaise stopped at the garden gate; and the next, Cousin old woman, who, according to the sur Letty was clasped in the hearty embrace geon's opinion, was slowly recovering they

of Mary Middleton.
'Dear, dear Cousin Letty!' said Mary ·I was determined to escape, if I had walked all the way from Keswick, which I was likely to do; for every place was takenevery chaise monopolized for days to come by the crowd of visitors to the lakes."

But how, then, did you get home, Mary, icar?' asked her cousin. 'In a return chairs. I saw it pass and

bribed the postilions with all my money to oring me to our door." How very imprudent! said Letty.

Suppose they had picked up another passenger by the way?

'Oh, they did! I insisted upon it. I was to pay handsomely for the chaise; so with; and do you know, Cousin Letty, I never before guessed the delight of keeping a carriage, for it enabled me to relieve woman, who was footsore, with an infant in her arms, and two little children walkwas! and how soundly the children slept my pocket money, and have left papa

pay for the chaise." This was an act after Letty's own colds, and Cousin Letty's set of toys, were heart, and she pressed Mary's hand in to meet them, sympathy, though at the same time pro All the instruments the Passions played nerosity. I think dear Mary, you were compliment, were selected. Tom took a

run off with you!"

No, dear Cousin Letty-no more in

·I should be very much disappointed if thought you were in earnest. No, no, Mary I am resolved that you shall marry. and intend to look out for a suitable hus band for you; some excellent, agreeable fallen in love with myself in my girlish

days." 'Very well, consin,' said Mary. 'When see any one enjoying particular favor, 1 shall make up my mind that he's to be my husband; but you must undertake all the courting-I'm sure I could never an however, they say, yields but a meager dure that. What on earth can be so ridiculous as two rational beings saying to each other: 'I love you!' Oh, horrible!'

Perhaps Letty was not altogether of the same opinion. She remembered when her cousin, John Middleton, used to call her his 'little wife.' Seven years older lady ay the other evening, that Mr. Les than herself he went into the world to lie was only thirty." seek his fortune. The fendness of the child grew into the love of the girl; how engerly did she look for his return: And he, to surprise his dear Cousis Letty, said | considered older than she was: nothing of what had happened, but came home married! And so people supposed be to marry, observed Mr. Middleton .-

On the following day, Letty and Mary sallied forth to the neighboring town on a the surgeon and material anxiety for her shopping expedition. How well they children, we might give Mr. Leslie a job both looked! Mary, with her Hebe-like by having all the children vaccinated over face, and Cousin Letty bearing an amazing -fifteen years older. Still, Mary was so the small pox were to break out. carelessly dressed in her old Dunstable bonnet and blue ribbonst while Letty's were residing for the summer months at the result was, as they passed through Chestaut-tree Costage on the coast of the principal street of the little town, Letty excited almost as much admiration as the more youthful beauty of Mary Middle-

'I wish, cousin,' said Mary, 'you would ashamed of being seen in so horrible a season she had ever passed; and Mary piness seems to be derived from make

'Oh, poor creature! I saw her one day with her basket of tapes and needles, in crossing the street, knocked down by carriage; she was much burt, and I had her taken carefully home and attended to. I should like to know how she's going on;

will you come with me, Letty!"
"Of course I will, dear Mary," said her cousin, delighted at every manifestation kind-heartedoess in her favorite.

They now went from one dirty lane in to another, until they arrived at the mis-erable lodging house of Mary's pension-

"How is old Peggy to-day?" asked Mary of the woman who opened he door.

'Very low, indeed, ma'am; the doctor's with her just now. He's as attentive to the poor soul as if he was paid for it."

'I am very glad to hear it,' said Mary. I hope everything that was necessary has

been procured for her?' O dear, yes, ma'am. I made your mo ney go further than anybody would think, and the doctor gave me five shillings besides, and brought a bottle of wine in his pocket this morning. Just come this way, if you please ma'am;' and the woman showed them up on old, creaking, rickety staircase, and threw open the door of the room where lay her poor lodger. An agreeable surprise awaited Cousin Letty. for in the surgeon standing by the bedside she recognized Mr. Leslie, who had been so attentive to her on the previous day.— A cordial shaking of hands took place; for Mary Middleton had met Mr. Leslie twice at parties, and she herself had gone to solicit his attendance on old Peggy. Mr. Leslie inquired most anxiously concerning the injuries of his agreeable chaise com pan on, who assured him her arm gave her very little inconvenience; in fact, that it was quite well. Mr. Leslie saul he was delighted to hear it, though he unaccount a bly looked for the very reverse. Arranging everything for the comfort of the geon's opinion, was slowly recovering they left the house, proceeding together as far as the High street, when Mr. Leslie regretted that one or two professional calls day would bring about an celoir issement.

prevented his having the pleasure of accompa y ag them to the cottage. But I dust you will favor us with a call very soon,' said Letty, at parting, as her hand, in her own cordial way, rested for a I fear I have searcely an excuse for s

desirable a vi-it, said the surgeon, rather gallantly, and somewhat confusedly. 'You lorget my bruised arm,' sil Letty becoming suddenly oblivious of having

d c ared it was quite well. 'True,' said Mr. Leslie; 'it really must

be attended to. it was all my own, to do what I pleased - Mamma will be deligted to see you. Mr. Leslie, said Mary, kindly, for she fears the children are going to have severe colds, and I really fear so, too, Mary the weariness of a long journey to a poor had never before however, been so antici patory of sore throats and medical advice It was agreed, therefore, that Mr. Leslie ing by her side. Oh, how thankful she was to call at the cottage on the following was! and how soundly the children slept day, and he took his leave. The ladies all the while! Of course, I gave her all now proceeded to the principal toyshop of the town, where the children, to whom Mary had so bountifully promised a set of

looking little drum with forious heat.'-Oh, but I never will be run off with,' Letty's liberality having now gone almost said Mary, laughing.

'You are n t in love yet, then Ma- the party stepped into Mr. Middleton's double phieton, which was waiting for them, accompanied by the celebrated ove than you are, or likely to be. I mean brass band,' the children having 'snatched to lead just the same sort of single life that their instruments of sound,' and, at the risk of frightening the borses, making ; considerable din through the street and

along the road to the cottage. After dinner, the conversation happening to turn upon the morning's rencontre. It is a pity,' observed Mr. Middleton, that person-just such a man as I might have Mr. Leslie is not more successful in his profession.

·Why-is he not considered cliver !'asked Let'y.
'Oh, very,' he replied; 'and highly esteemed. He supports an aged mother and

income. 'Is he not married!' *Unfortunately not, Letty." Why, he must be nearly as old as I am,' remarked Letty, very naturally.

"Well, my dear, I'm only thirty-five." Even Coustn Leavy's good sense was not

O no, interposed Mary. I heard a

that Cousin Letty had hever been in love, A wife and family are as indespensible in and wondered why she lavished such de- a medical man as his degree or case of invotion on John Middleton's eldest daught stroments.' 'I'm sure, my dear, said his good

resemblance to her, but-ah! that fatal but and Mary would be the better of it too, if Middleton for taking advantage of the in-

visitor and a great favorite. The lacket

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'And so good looking-eh, Mary !" I really then't care much about good looks' said Mary careleasly, as a smart blush made her cheek tingle for the about

Do you know, Mary, said Letty, as if anxious to secertain her sentiments on the occasion, 'I often think Mr. Leville is in

Well, I assure you, Cousin Letty, pa-pa said yesterday, be felt convinced that

Mr. Leslie was only presented by his pow-erry from proposing for you.

Thus were all parties puzzled. Mrs. Middleton rather entertained a belief that Mary had won Mr. Leslie's affections, unid her husband pointed out the greater ally was still very pretty, and, in spite of all her protestations to the contrary, could not be blamed were she to enter into macriage with such a man as Mr. Leslie.

If Cousin Letty marry, it will be all the worse for our children, you know, John, said Mrs. Middleton, and for Mary especially, who has always been taught to rely on Letty for everything."
Now, Bess, that is selfish and unlike you, said her husband reprovingly. I thought you would have been rejuleed at

the prospect of such a dear, kind soul as Cousin Letty having a good hisband; and she'd be sure to make Leslie happy? · But remember the disparity of age,

'Only five or six years,' said Mr. Mid

dicton; that's of no consequence.'
'Yes; but it's on the wrong side, John.' said Mrs. Middleton, conscious of being a few years her husband's junier.

The good people of the fittle town had long been husily talking about Mr. Leslie's incressant attentions at the cortige, and were much perplexed in their conjectures which of the Miss Middletons he was in love with. June, July, August and very

'Edward,' said Mrs. Leslie, observing her son thoughtful and unhappy, are you going to the cottege this evening?

Yes, mother, instantly. I can bear this

suspense no longer: I must know my fate, whatever it may be.' Surely, my dear son, said Mrs. Leslie, you can not be altogether without hope. Miss Middleton, if she is really the kind, warm hearted creature she appears to be, must have given some indications of preference to justify your avowal."

'But my poverty has made me so fearful. mother least my motives should be auribused to mercenary views, that I have scrupoleusly avoided every apportunity of elicing her sentiments towards me. I doubt even whether the devotion I feel can justify my supposing that any woman would consent to the re my miseral le pros pecis."

'Ay,' said' the old lady mournfullypro peets blighted by the burden of maintaining your mother and helpless sister .-My dear son we have indeed been a hind rance to you.

'A hindrance, mother! Rather than you should think so, or that my present project should give you one pang, the words that dently reproving her for her Quixotic ge- upon, and which have since returned the were to decide my fate forever shall remain unspoken. Thou very wrong to travel alone. Suppose any 'war denouncing trumpet' of blue painted blessing I covet above all other, I will foreof those adventurers about the lakes had wood, while Charlie began to beat a fiery | go the chance of ubtaining it, I tell you, mother, there is not any succifice I would not make to secure your happiress, and that of my dear belpless stater.

At this rather critical moment Mes. Middicton was announced. Leny had walked to town for the purpose of building adieu to Mrs. and Miss beslie, of whom Mary had already taken have in the morning-for of course a cordial friendship amongst the failes had resulted from Mr Leslie's great intimacy at the cuttage .-There was an unusual embarrassujent and sadness in this last visit of Letty, which no one strove to overcom-; it was best, therefore; to make it as brief as possible,-Kind farewells were exchanged; while the poor blind girl, at parting, said in a voice not to be overheard: 'I cannot ser your fare with my eyes, Miss Middleton ; I see with my heart, and that tells ne a poor blind sister by his practice, which, that you must be beautiful, because you are good and kind. Have compassion on my brother if _____. The approach of Edward caused her to leave the request unfinished. Letty, half comprehending her meaning, pressed her hand in sympathy, while a deep blush over pead her check. Mr. Loslin now drew her arm within his, and they commenced their walk in silence; our was it sill stoy hard got beyout the town, and reached one of proof against the sensitiveness of being considered older than ste was.

The wisest thing Leslie could do would be wisest thing Leslie could do would be began. for the unexpected opportunity of addressing you alone; it gives me courige to reveal, what I had halfdetermined never to di ulge. Your approval or disapproval shall govern me; and should you deem my warles to be tured wife, with kind intentions towards presumptuous, I promise meter again to breathe them to human being." lie paused as if expecting some reply, last Letry was silent, and Mr. Lestie poneded; again; and, indeed, John, you and Letty I think I cannot be reprouched by Mr. timsey to which he admi ted me. My at-Mr. Middleton laughed heartily at his tentions have been so const-or rather wite's ingenious device for extending Mr. more particularly directed to yourself than

Mr. Leatie a hearty welcome to the contage where he shortly became a constant visitor and a great facility and a great facility and placing her arm in his, which, the instant before, from known only to herself, she had suddenly withdrawn.

That is indeed kind, said Mr. Leslie, May I hope, then, thet you, whose hapart of the town. wondered how the long summer day aposters bappy, will be my adverse with How did she excite your compassion peared so short. How forunate, she Mary; with his father, if need be?

would say to Letty, that we made Mr. Yes, said Latty, echoing his words in

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